

Meeting Business Management Overview and Scrutiny

Committee

Date 18<sup>th</sup> April 2012

Subject Regeneration Review

Report of Leader of the Council / Cabinet Member for

Regeneration

Summary Annex 1 provides the Committee with the Cabinet Resources

Committee report on the Regeneration Review – Action Plan

and Next Steps.

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Status (public or exempt) Public

Wards affected All

Enclosures Annex 1: Regeneration Review – Action Plan and Next Steps,

Report to Cabinet Resources Committee on 28 February

2012

For decision by Business Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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# 1. RECOMMENDATION

1.1 That the Business Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee consider the Regeneration Review – Action Plan and Next Steps, as set out in the report to the Cabinet Resources Committee attached at Annex 1 to this report, and make appropriate comments and/or recommendations on the proposals contained therein to the Leader of the Council.

# 2. RELEVANT PREVIOUS DECISIONS

- 2.1 Business Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee, 5 September 2011, Decision Item 4, Regeneration Strategy the Committee considered the Regeneration Strategy and made comments and recommendations to Cabinet.
- 2.2 Cabinet Resources Committee, 28 February 2012, Regeneration Review the Cabinet Resources Committee are being requested to agree the findings of the Regeneration Review and proposed next steps (as set out in the attached Action Plan).

#### 3. CORPORATE PRIORITIES AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committees, Panels and Task and Finish Groups must ensure that the work of Scrutiny is reflective of the Council's priorities.
- 3.2 The three priority outcomes set out in the draft 2012/13 Corporate Plan are:
  - Better services with less money
  - Sharing opportunities, sharing responsibilities
  - A successful London suburb
- 3.3 Corporate priorities and policy considerations as they relate to the Regeneration Review are set out in the Cabinet Resources Committee report attached at Annex 1.

#### 4. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES

- 4.1 To enable the Council's Overview and Scrutiny function to provide a critical friend challenge to the executive, it is essential that the Committee have the opportunity to provide a robust, proportionate and timely challenge to key Executive decisions as they progress through the council's decision-making framework. Failure to facilitate scrutiny of significant decisions in this way might result in reputational damage to the council.
- 4.2 Risk management considerations as they relate to the Regeneration Review are set out in the Cabinet Resources Committee report attached at Annex 1.

# 5. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

- 5.1 In addition to the Terms of Reference of the Committee, and in so far as relating to matters within its remit, the role of the Committee is to perform the Overview and Scrutiny role in relation to:
  - The Council's leadership role in relation to diversity and inclusiveness; and
  - The fulfilment of the Council's duties as employer including recruitment and retention, personnel, pensions and payroll services, staff development, equalities and health and safety.
- 5.2 Equalities and diversity considerations as they relate to the Regeneration Review are set out in the Cabinet Resources Committee report attached at Annex 1.
- 6. USE OF RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS (Finance, Procurement, Performance & Value for Money, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)
- 6.1 Use of resources considerations as they relate to the Regeneration Review are set out in the Cabinet Resources Committee report attached at Annex 1.

# 7. LEGAL ISSUES

7.1 Legal considerations as they relate to the Regeneration Review are set out in the Cabinet Resources Committee report attached at Annex 1.

# 8. CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS

- 8.1 Council Constitution, Article 6 details the scope of the Council's Overview & Scrutiny Committees.
- 8.2 Council Constitution, Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules details the terms of reference of the Council's Overview & Scrutiny Committees. The Business Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee has within its terms of reference responsibility for "...the review of the policy framework and development of policy and strategy not within the remit of other overview and scrutiny committees."
- 8.3 Constitutional powers as they relate to the Regeneration Review are set out in the Cabinet Resources Committee report attached at Annex 1.

#### 9. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

9.1 The Committee are requested to consider the findings of the Regeneration Review, as set out in the report to the Cabinet Resources Committee set out in Appendix 1, and make appropriate comments and/or recommendations to the

Leader of the Council.

9.2 The Committee are requested to note that the Cabinet Resources Committee considered the Regeneration Review at their meeting on 28 February 2012. As the Business Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting is taking place after the Cabinet Resources Committee, Scrutiny Members are being requested to make their representations directly to the responsible Cabinet Member, the Leader of the Council. The Leader will be requested to provide a formal response to the Committee to any comments and/or recommendations made.

#### 10. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 None

Legal – TE Finance – MC/JH